LABOUR TROUBLE IN VELLARAPILLI—CAUSES FOR

88. Mr. M. I. Paul *(Narakkal):* Will Government be pleased to state.—

what are the causes for the labour trouble in Vellarapilli and what action has been taken by the Government in the matter?

Mr. K. Balakrishna Menon *(Minister for Food and Education):*

The dispute between the beedi workers of Kanjur (Vellarapilli) and the licensees arose out of the 3 demands put forth by the workers *ie., (i)* to enhance the rate of wages to Rs. 1—14—0 for thousand beedies, *(ii)* to employ all the members of the Union, and *(iii)* to recognise the Union. Government intervened in the matter and settled the disputes.

JUNGLE TREES—CUTTING OF

89. Mr. P. K. Dewer *(Nominated):* Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) to whom was the cutting of jungle trees in connection with the Government of India survey work entrusted to;

(*b*) the number of trees cut in connection with that survey by that contractor;

(*c*) whether these trees were cut according to the directions of the survey party or not;

(*d*) the rate (average) paid to the contractor for trees above 6″ diameter;

(*e*) the rate paid by Government for cutting of trees above 6″ diameter in the Anamalai Road work I section Vazhachal to Choozhimada to the contractor to whom that work was entrusted;

(*f*) the rate quoted for cutting trees above 6″ diameter when tenders were called for by the Hydro-electric Department as per Gazette Notification, dated 22nd August 1946;

(*g*) the lowest average rate quoted for cutting trees above 6″ diameter when tenders were called for subsequently in connection with the clearing of the site and levelling of the permanent staff quarters;

(*h*) the lowest rate quoted for the same work when fresh tenders were called for by notification in the daily papers;

(*i*) how do these rates compare with the rates given to Mr. P. K. Achuthan for cutting trees above 6″ diameter entrusted to him without calling for tenders;

(*j*) whether the nature of the work entrusted to Mr. Achuthan was the same as the works for which tenders were called for as mentiioned in questions above; if not, which work is more difficult?

Rao Bahadur T. K. Nayar *(Prime Minister):*

(*a*) Mr. P. K. Achuthan.
(*b*) 9,011.
(*c*) Yes.
(*d*) A flat rate of Rs. 9—12—0 per tree for trees above 6″ in diameter.
(*e*) Trees from 6″ to 11″ diameter Rs. 1—7—9.
Do. above 11″ diameter Rs. 13—9—3.
(The above rates include tender excess).
(*f*) Trees 6″ to 18″ Rs. 6.
„ 18″ to 36″ Rs. 15.
„ 36″ to 48″ Rs. 25.
„ above 48″ Rs. 48.
(*g*) Rs. 13—8—0 per tree.
(*h*) 10 per tree above 6″ diameter.
(*i*) Favourably.
(*j*) The works are not exactly similar.

PATTA HOLDERS IN THE STATE—NUMBER OF

90. മിസ്റ്റർ കെ. കെ. കണ്ണൻ: താഴെ പറയുന്ന ചോദ്യങ്ങൾക്ക് ബഹുമാനപ്പെട്ട ഗവണ്മെണ്ടിൽനിന്ന് സദയം മറുപടി പറയുമോ.—

(എ) കൊച്ചിരാജ്യത്തു പട്ടയമുള്ളവർ എത്ര പേരുണ്ട്;

(ബി) അവയിൽ ഫ ൦ ൦ക. യിൽ കൂടുതൽ സർക്കാരിലേക്ക് കരം കൊടുക്കുന്നവർ എത്ര പേരുണ്ട്;

(സി) ഒരേക്കർ സ്ഥലത്തിന്ന നിശ്ചയിച്ചിട്ടുള്ള കരം എത്ര?

മിസ്റ്റർ പറമ്പി ലോനപ്പൻ:

(എ) ഫ, ൦ ന, ൪ ൭൯.
(ബി) ഫ, ൭൫൯.

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